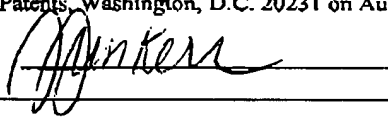


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Pursuant to a telephone conversation with Examiner Steve Gravini of August 14, 2000, Applicants' undersigned representative hereby provides with this Communication a copy of the continued prosecution application filed in the above-referenced patent application on March 29, 2000. A copy of the continued prosecution application is being provided to the Examiner because the Examiner stated that there is no continued prosecution application in the physical Patent Office file, although the computer reflects that payment was received for a continued prosecution application fee on March 31, 2000.

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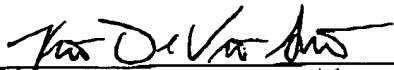
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Respectfully submitted,

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MESSAGE: Dear Ms. Hood: Faxed herewith is a communication and a copy of a Continued Prosecution Application that I faxed to Examiner Steve Gravini on August 18, 2000.


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